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The Honorable Ajit Pai, Chairman
The Honorable Michael O'Rielly, Commissioner
The Honorable Brendan Carr, Commissioner
The Honorable Jessica Rosenworcel, Commissioner

Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
455 12th Street, Southwest
Washington, DC, 20544

Dear Chairman Pai,

I am writing to support the Comments of the Cable Act Preservation Alliance ("CAPA") and to disapprove of the proposals and tentative conclusions set forth in the FCC's September 25 Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making (FNPRM) in Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as Amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992, MB Docket 05-311.

The City of Sharonville, located approximately 15 miles north of Cincinnati, serves a population of about 13,500. Our residents, along with those in 23 other communities, rely on the Intercommunity Cable Regulatory Commission (ICRC) for local television programming, including coverage of our City Council meetings, community events (such as the City's Veterans Appreciation Breakfast), school athletic events, and other City or School related activities. This coverage is important to the City as it allows residents, especially those who may not be able to attend meetings or events, to keep informed as to what is happening in our community.

The intent of the PEG provisions of the 1984 Cable Act was to serve local community needs and interests, by enabling our residents to watch local programming about our community and local events of interest to them. The proposed FNPRM appears to go against this intent and could force communities to choose between franchise fees and PEG channels. That would be unfortunate, as many would likely eliminate the PEG channels because of financial concerns – a lot of cities will not be able to afford the loss in franchise fees.

PEG access benefits and strengthens communities. I ask that this FNPRM not be adopted.

Sincerely,

James Lukas

Safety Service Director City of Sharonville, Ohio